



Christopher Oberheim

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Chris Oberheim was born on October 31, 1976 in Decatur, Illinois. Chris was not only a police officer, he was also a son, brother, beloved coach, trusted friend, and respected leader. He fulfilled the roles of husband and father best.

Chris is survived by his wife Amber; daughters Hannah (21), Avery (18), and twins Addison and Aubree (13); his parents Ted and Mary Ann Oberheim; his siblings Greg (Michelle), Amy, Matt (Jennifer), Joe (Chelsea), Sarah (Jason); In-laws; Nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by Sister LeighAnn and Grandfather Neil Ganley.

Chris started his career at the Decatur Police Department in 2000. He quickly became a respected officer within that department who led by silent example. He maintained a sense of humility even when receiving recognition for his heroic actions. He always looked forward to playing in the annual PBPA state softball tournament and making memories with his fellow officers. Their friendships were treasured.

Chris transferred to Champaign Police Department in 2008 where he continued to protect and serve his community. Chris received 2 medals of valor for his courageous acts of selfless bravery. However, you would never know that because he kept a humble demeanor and was never boastful.

Chris dedicated a great deal of his off-duty time to coaching several successful girl's softball teams. His influence on the field was felt by many who loved and respected him.

Chris made it very apparent that his family was his first priority. His 4 daughters were his absolute pride and joy. The lessons instilled and the honor in their hearts will be used to carry on the legacy of their father. Times will be hard without him in sight at life's events from birthdays, ball games, graduation, future weddings and even someday grandchildren. While incredibly hard, his family's faith and belief that Chris is forever watching over will warm their heavy hearts during these moments.

Thank you for those who have and continue to show their love and respect for Chris and his family. He genuinely cared about everyone that was ever part of his life. Through the hustles and bustles of life stay kind-hearted, take the time to slow down, hug your loved ones, hold them tight and enjoy every moment you're blessed with together.

Moving forward we will do just as Chris would...stay strong, faithful and close to family. We do this for him.

Arrangements are pending. In lieu of flowers, please direct your donations to




<https://www.gofundme.com/f/chris-oberheim-memorial?>

[qid=f19c69497c74e70b0396b3be0aff3a97&utm_campaign=p_cp_url&utm_medium=os&utm_source=customer.](https://www.gofundme.com/f/chris-oberheim-memorial?qid=f19c69497c74e70b0396b3be0aff3a97&utm_campaign=p_cp_url&utm_medium=os&utm_source=customer)

Condolences and memories may be shared at www.gracelandfairlawn.com.






Visitation

-  **Tuesday**, May 25, 2021
-  1:00 PM - 7:00 PM CT
-  **Maranatha Assembly of God**
555 W. Imboden, Decatur IL 62521





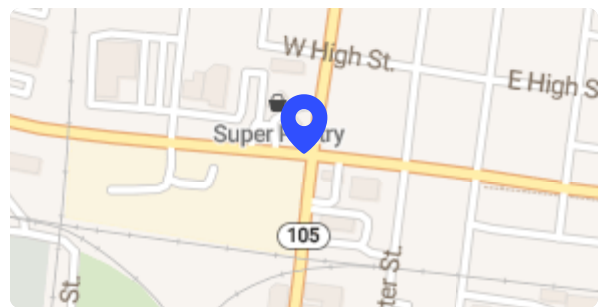
Celebration of Life

-  **Wednesday**, May 26, 2021
-  11:00 AM CT
-  **Maranatha Assembly of God**
555 W. Imboden, Decatur IL 62521




Burial

-  **Wednesday**, May 26, 2021
-  **Monticello Township Cemetery**
Monticello IL



Cemetery Details

-  **Monticello Township Cemetery**
Monticello IL 61856



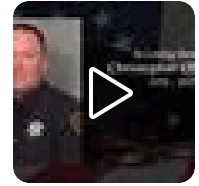
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Graceland Fairlawn shared a **Video**.



May 24 at 10:04 AM



Donna Alagna posted:

Miss Amber I love your memory video and what a special love you and Chris Shared and your Beautiful Daughter's your family continues to be in my thoughts and prayers send you a big hug ♥️💙

May 27 at 5:03 PM



Ruth Ann Grant posted:

Beautiful family! Beautiful memories! God bless you and help you through the hard times ahead ♥️♥️♥️

May 27 at 3:18 PM



Brenda Reyes posted:

I'm crying as I watch this as he was a family man a great dad and husband and brother and son Rip Officer Chris you truly are a Hero prayers to his family you can feel the love he had ty for your services and ty for sharing this video

May 27 at 11:47 AM



Marilyn Armstrong posted:

Beautiful memories. Praying that all of these beautiful memories will bring you comfort in the days ahead.

May 27 at 10:10 AM



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Toni posted:

I did not know Chris, only from his family, and the many thoughts I have heard and read in the last many days. I can tell he was a much loved caring husband, son, father, friend, son in law, and an incredible positive person to everyones lives that he touched. I am so sorry for this tragic lose to everyone who has expressed their love. Thinking of you all, truly.Toni

May 26 at 10:32 PM



Linda Turley(Family) lit a candle in honor of Christopher.

Thank you for your service and.prayers to the wife and kids and family.

May 26 at 12:50 PM



Anonymous sent an Enchanted Cottage to the Oberheim family.

May 25 at 12:35 PM



Tanya Wells posted:

Your family have been in my prayers. You don't know me but my son, Jordan Wells, is a Champaign PD officer and I believe he and Christopher have worked together. Your loss has touched many. May God continually comfort and strengthen your family. Tanya and Alan Wells

May 25 at 11:25 AM



Anonymous sent an Ocean Breeze Spray to the Oberheim family.

May 25 at 10:53 AM



Anonymous sent a Magnificent Life Spray to the Oberheim family.

May 25 at 10:28 AM





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Betty Scheldt lit a candle in honor of Christopher.

I am so sorry for your loss. I have three nephews that are in law enforcement. May God bless your family and hold you close during this time. I have the utmost respect for what Mr. Oberheim stood for in protecting the community. Prayers are with you.

May 25 at 7:07 AM



Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Oberheim family.

May 25 at 6:46 AM



The Rupkeys - John, Terri, And Girls sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Oberheim family.

May 25 at 3:21 AM



Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Oberheim family.

May 24 at 1:30 PM



Anonymous sent a sympathy card to the Oberheim family.

May 24 at 9:11 AM



Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Oberheim family.

May 24 at 4:35 AM





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Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Oberheim family.

May 24 at 2:19 AM



Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Oberheim family.

May 23 at 3:14 PM



Anonymous sent a Florist Choice Bouquet to the Oberheim family.

May 23 at 4:17 AM



Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Oberheim family.

May 22 at 8:46 PM



Anonymous sent a Divine Peace Bouquet to the Oberheim family.

May 22 at 1:30 PM



David Lawrence posted:

Give Eternal Rest, O, Lord And May Your Light Shine On Him Forever. Receive His Soul And Present Him To GOD; Present This Soul To GOD Most High.

May 22 at 11:48 AM



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Janet Hogan posted:

Sending prayers for Amber and the Family. Chris was a wonderful person. Just remember he isn't gone, he is in your memories and in your hearts forever ! And he is looking down from Heaven and Loves you all very much. He is God's Angel now. Rest peacefully Chris- You are missed so much.

May 22 at 8:46 AM



Janet sent a virtual gift in honor of Christopher.



May 22 at 8:36 AM



Anonymous sent a Serene Retreat to the Oberheim family.



May 22 at 8:36 AM



Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Oberheim family.



May 22 at 7:19 AM



Anonymous sent a Serene Retreat to the Oberheim family.



May 22 at 7:12 AM



Anonymous sent a Divine Peace Bouquet to the Oberheim family.



May 22 at 6:48 AM



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Anonymous sent an Ocean Breeze Spray to the Oberheim family.



May 22 at 5:58 AM



The Hamilton Family posted:

Our deepest, heartfelt condolences for your tragic loss. Chris' devotion to duty and sacrifice prove what a fantastic man he was. Our hearts ache for his family and friends at this incredibly difficult time. May he watch over you in your time of grief and be with you always.- The Hamilton Family

May 22 at 4:00 AM



Brenda Brown lit a candle in honor of Christopher.

I'm so sorry for all your loss thoughts and prayers with you and your family he will be greatly missed by all amazing police officer dad husband brother son god will be with you all and give you strength to get through this along with family and friends he will always be in your hearts and thoughts and watching you all every where you go god gained another angel god bless you all brenda brown



May 21 at 6:23 PM



Penny Timmerman May 22 at 4:56 AM

Deeply saddened of the passing of Chris 😞Our 🙏 prayers and continued blessings are with his family today always ❤️Penny And Josie Timmerman



Anonymous sent a Sentiments of Serenity Spray to the Oberheim family.



May 21 at 5:58 PM



M Williams posted:

Rest Peacefully Sir and thank you sooo much for your service and dedication.. Our hearts will forever be with you and and your entire families...

May 21 at 11:04 AM



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DF

Darrin Frommeyer posted:

Chris and I were hired by the Decatur Police Department at the same time and he became the closest friend I had in Decatur. We attended the academy together and worked side by side the two years I was there. We had a lot of good times on and off shift. Chris was one of the most sincere apathetic people I had ever known. I wish I could have spent more time with him while he was here on this earth. I have one memory that I will never forget, which always makes me smile. When we got out of the academy, Chris and I had to go to a judge's home to get a search warrant signed. It was the first search warrant Chris ever obtained. When the judge raised his right hand to have Chris swear to the search warrant, Chris gave the judge a high five. When Chris went to high five the judge, it appeared to startle him. For some reason, the judge wasn't amused. Chris went on to be one of the best officers I have ever known. He will be greatly missed by me and everyone who knew him. Rest in Peace my friend.

May 21 at 8:37 AM

DG

Dianna Ganley posted:

Praying for the family. We are so very sorry. Dianna and John Ganley West Monroe, La.

May 21 at 5:53 AM

CR

C. Reed lit a candle in honor of Christopher.

I am praying for comfort and strength for the family and friends during this difficult time, lean on the Lord he will see you through. DPD Retired. Det. Reed

May 20 at 6:16 PM



TB

Tracy Bragg lit a candle in honor of Christopher.

Amber, you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers. Dane, Tracy & Wade Bragg

May 20 at 1:13 PM





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Dawn Etherton posted:

My heart breaks for you Amber and the girls. I have not seen any of you since we all left DMH but both of you have always had a special place in my heart. I wanted to reach out and tell you I am so sorry to hear this. Chris will truly be missed by so many including me. Sending my love and prayers to you and the girls. Please let me know if you need anything. Love, Dawn Etherton (Roseman)

May 20 at 11:52 AM



Louella Glover May 21 at 6:06 AM

Sorry for your loss my prayers to you



Christy lit a candle in honor of Christopher.

Amber, you and the girls are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. We're all here for you if you need us!!!

May 20 at 8:25 AM





Media

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May 24 at 10:04 AM





Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Christopher by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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